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Robyn Hawley **Director of Programs** Catholic Charities, Inc. - Archdiocese of Hartford 56 church Street Waterbury, CT 06702

Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 08-31189-EXM RE: Catholic Charities, Inc. - Archdiocese of Hartford CON Exemption Pursuant to Sections 17a-678 and 19a-639b, C.G.S. Establish a Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment and a Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults in Waterbury

Dear Ms. Hawley:

On June 12, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your application for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Sections 17a-678 and 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults in Waterbury.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

- 1. Catholic Charities, Inc. Archdiocese of Hartford ("CCI") is a non-profit facility providing adult outpatient psychiatric and substance abuse treatment at various locations in Connecticut.
- 2. CCI is proposing to provide a substance abuse outpatient treatment and psychiatric outpatient treatment for adults at 13 Wolcott Street, Waterbury, CT.
- 3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter received July 17, 2008, from Assistant Commissioner Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, grants an exemption under CGS Section 17a-678 to allow Catholic Charities, Inc. -Archdiocese of Hartford to obtain a license for the facility in the care or treatment of substance abusive or dependent persons-outpatient treatment for adults at 13 Wolcott Street, Waterbury, CT.

- 4. DMHAS states that these services will increase current capacity by 250 adults having a primary substance use and/or a co-occurring psychiatric and substance use disorder. CCI is a DMHAS funded agency.
- 5. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter received July 17, 2008, from Assistant Commissioner Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Catholic Charities, Inc. Archdiocese of Hartford to provide psychiatric outpatient treatment services for adults at 13 Wolcott Street, Waterbury, CT.
- 6. DMHAS states that CCI has current contracts with DMHAS and these services will increase current capacity by 250 adults having a primary mental illness and/or a co-occurring psychiatric and substance use disorder.
- 7. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$500,000.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford's request to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 13 Wolcott Street, in Waterbury, CT, meets the exemption requirements of Sections 17a-678 and 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on July 25, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

C: Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, Assistant Commissioner, DMHAS Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR Al Bidorini, Director, OPAS, DMHAS Donna C. Stimpson, Planning Specialist, DMHAS

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